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PROPHET SHUAYB AND THE EARTHQUAKE**

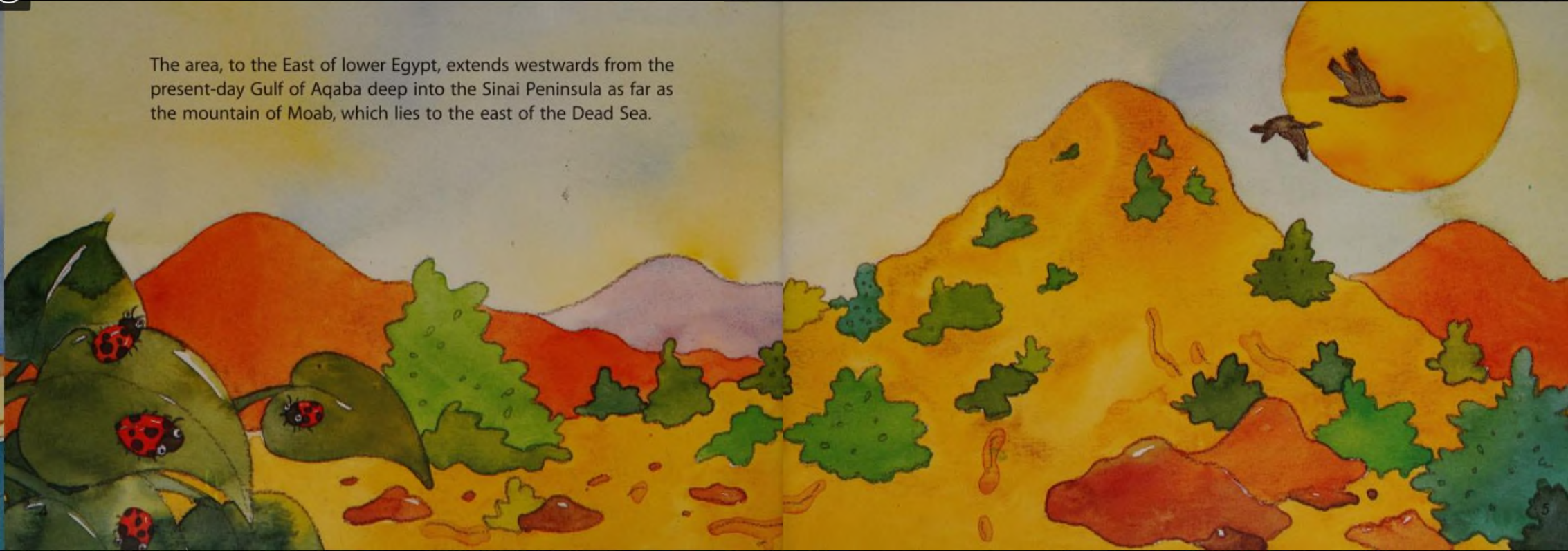
Quran Stories for Little Hearts

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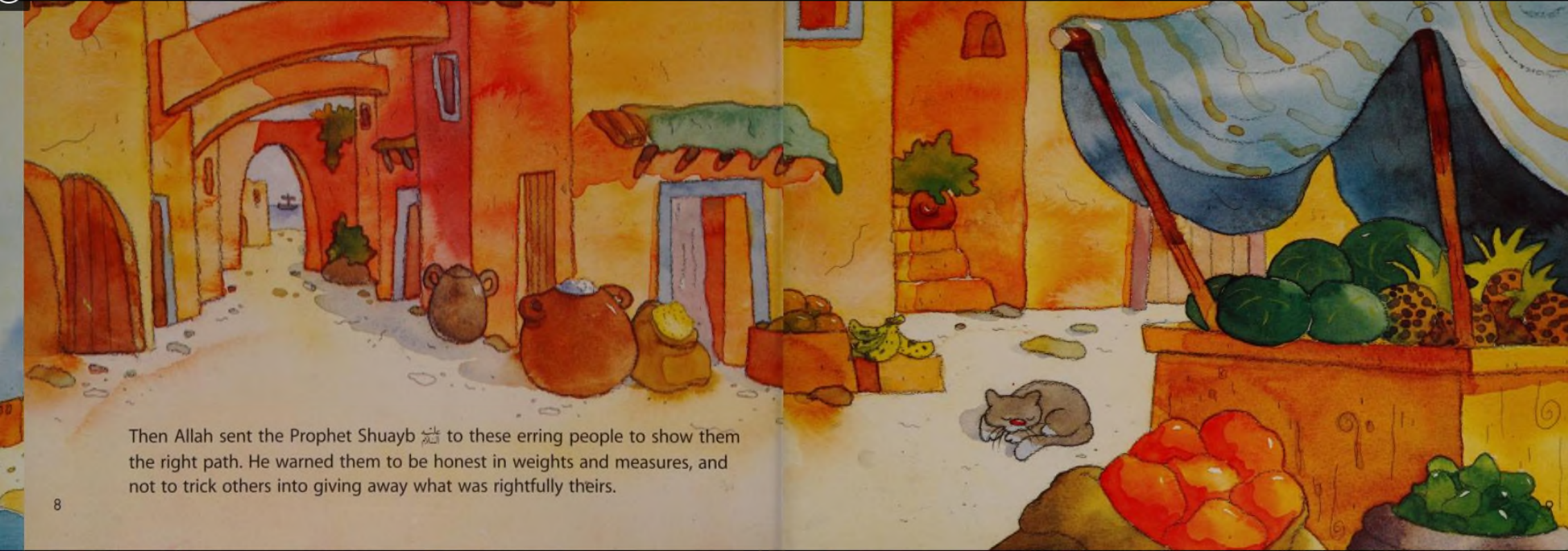
Long long ago, the people
of Madyan and Ayka
settled on the Arabian
coast of the Red sea.

The area, to the East of lower Egypt, extends westwards from the present-day Gulf of Aqaba deep into the Sinai Peninsula as far as the mountain of Moab, which lies to the east of the Dead Sea.



The people of Madyan and Ayka were at first the followers of the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام, but over the next 500 years they did wrong things, were dishonest and turned away from the true faith.

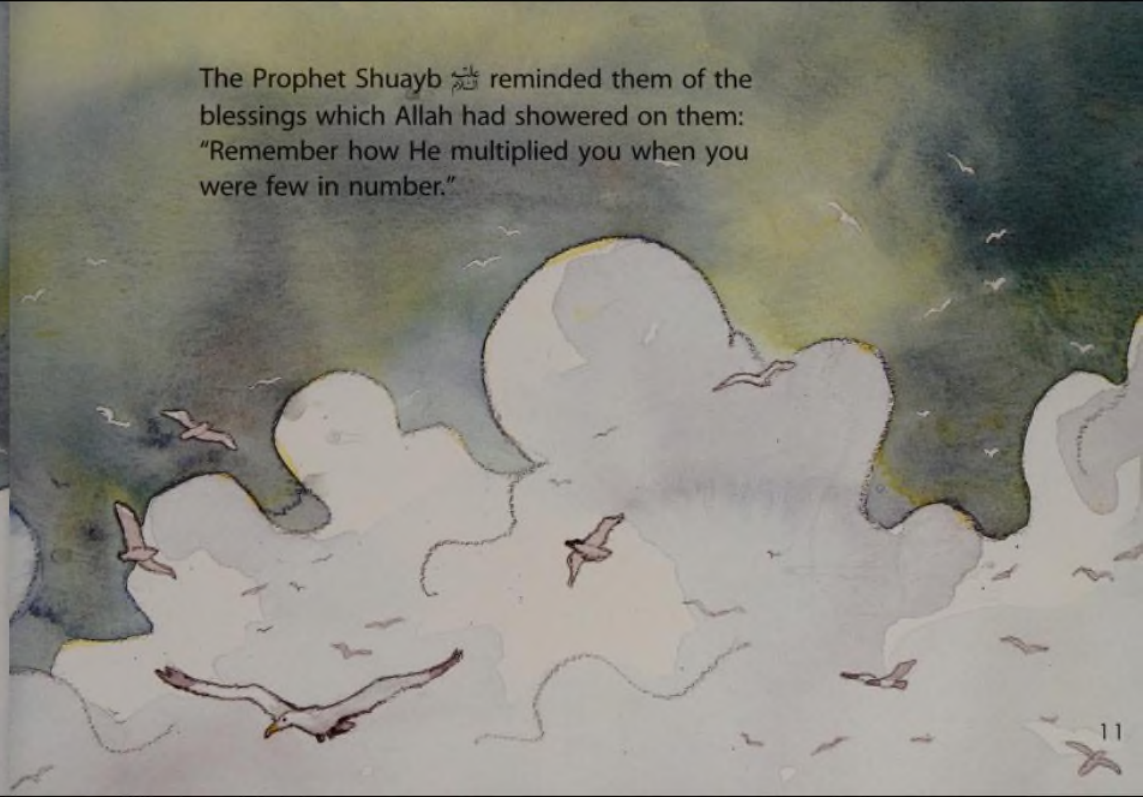


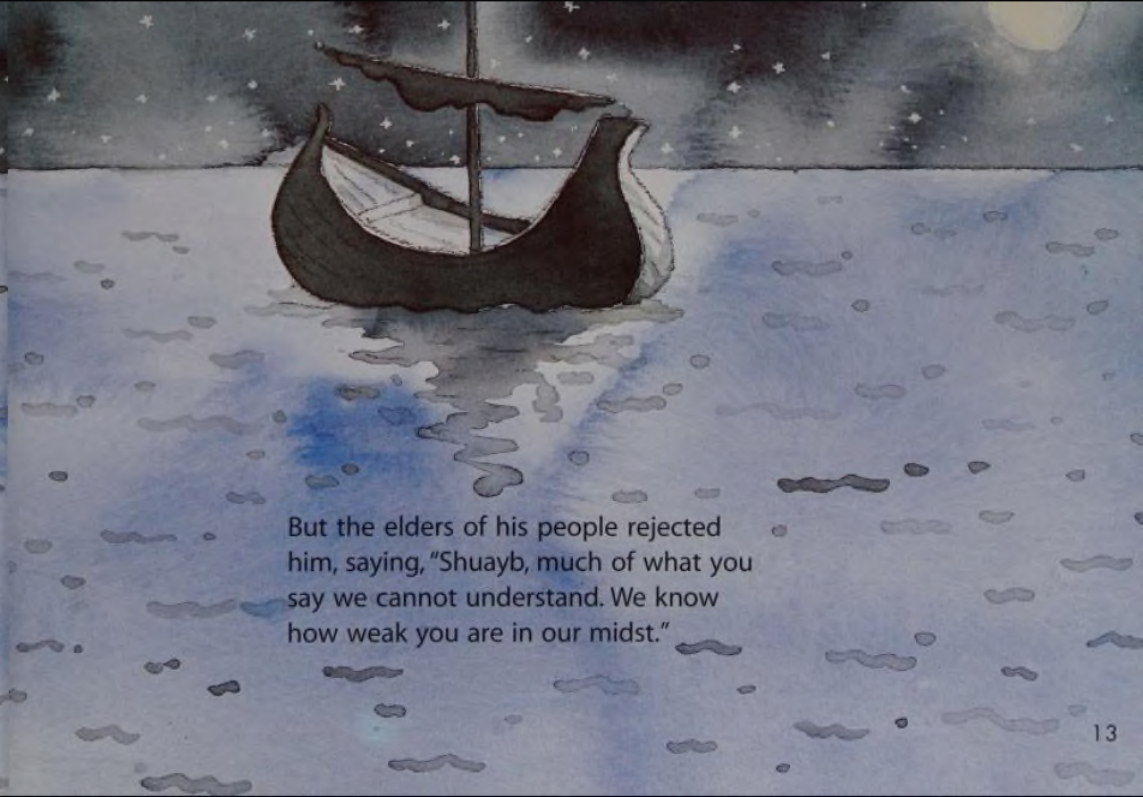


Then Allah sent the Prophet Shuayb ﷺ to these erring people to show them the right path. He warned them to be honest in weights and measures, and not to trick others into giving away what was rightfully theirs.



The Prophet Shuayb عليه السلام reminded them of the blessings which Allah had showered on them: "Remember how He multiplied you when you were few in number."





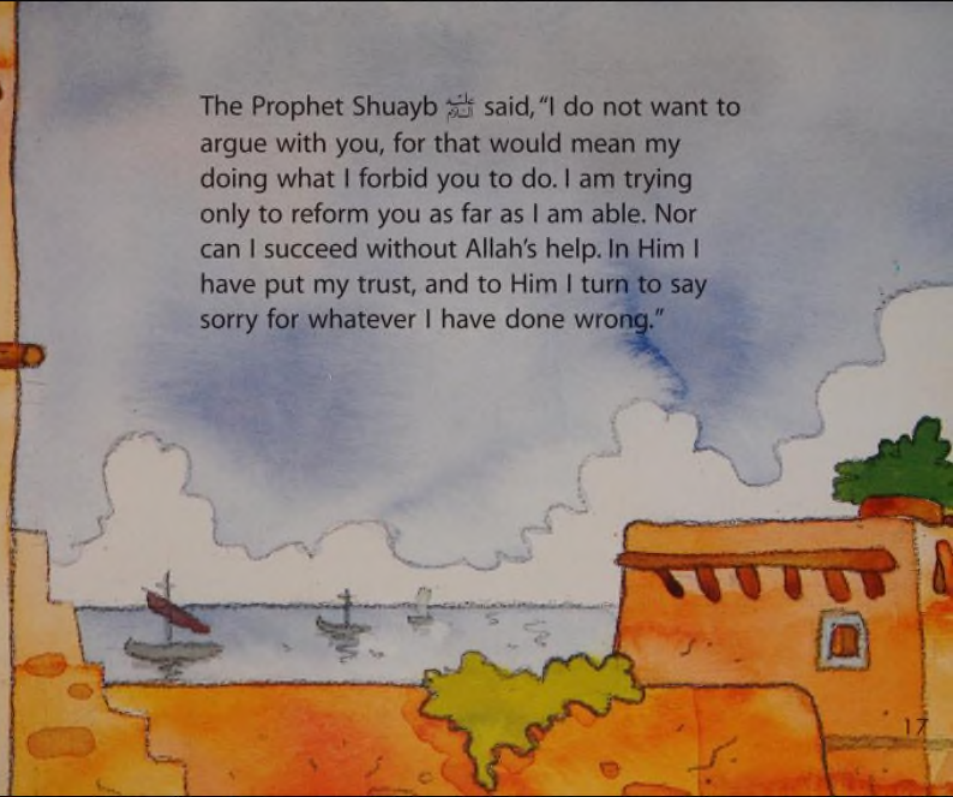
But the elders of his people rejected him, saying, "Shuayb, much of what you say we cannot understand. We know how weak you are in our midst."

They threatened to "drive him
out along with his followers"
from their homeland.

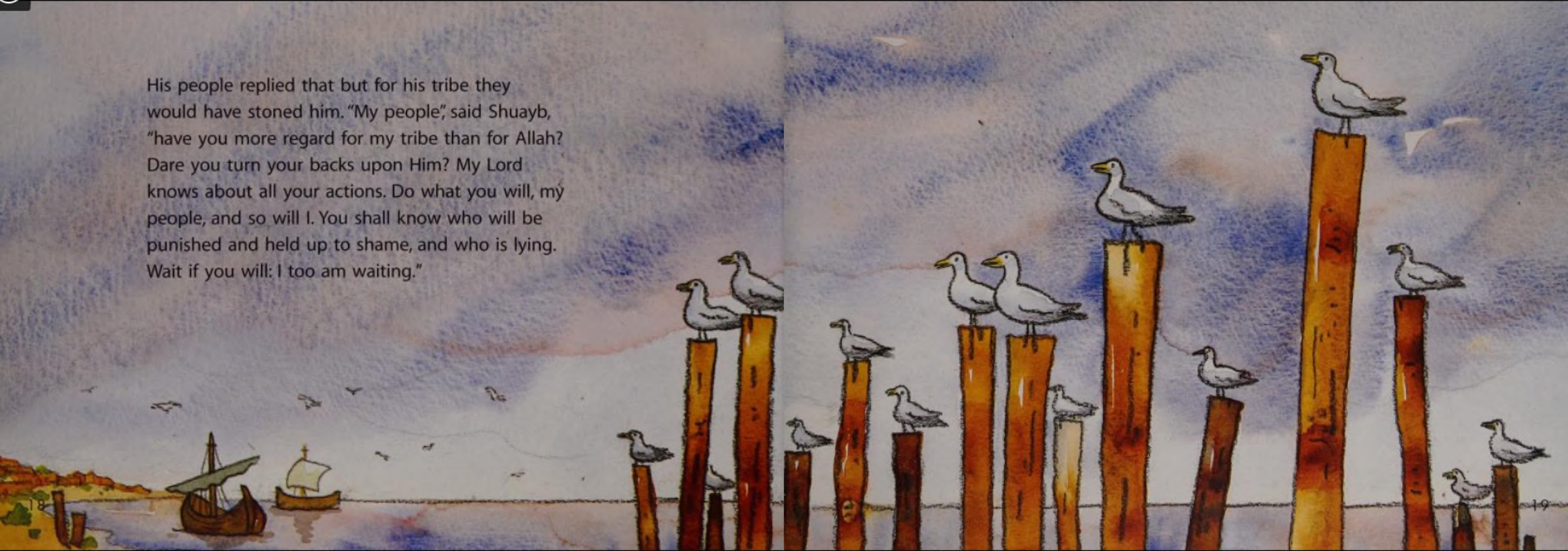




The Prophet Shuayb عليه السلام said, "I do not want to argue with you, for that would mean my doing what I forbid you to do. I am trying only to reform you as far as I am able. Nor can I succeed without Allah's help. In Him I have put my trust, and to Him I turn to say sorry for whatever I have done wrong."



His people replied that but for his tribe they would have stoned him. "My people," said Shuayb, "have you more regard for my tribe than for Allah? Dare you turn your backs upon Him? My Lord knows about all your actions. Do what you will, my people, and so will I. You shall know who will be punished and held up to shame, and who is lying. Wait if you will: I too am waiting."

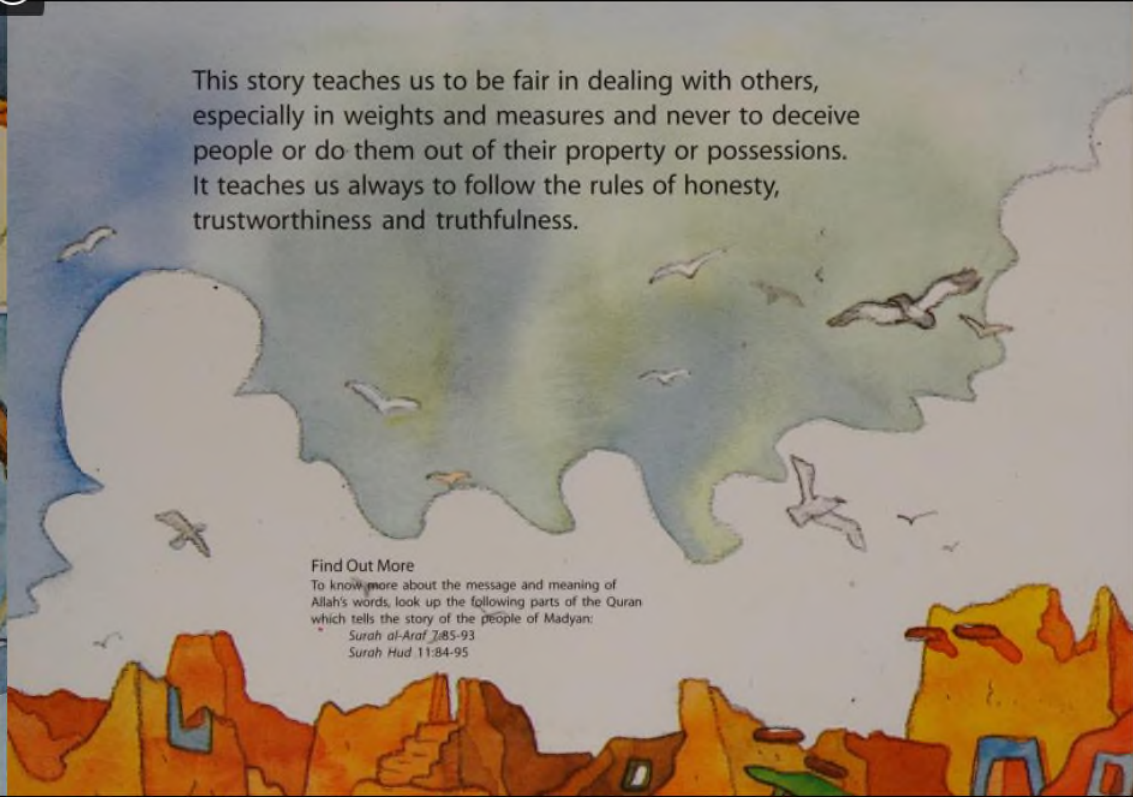


They were punished by an earthquake, and when morning came they were lying flat in their houses, as if those who drove away the Prophet Shuayb عليه السلام had never lived there.





"Those who treated Shuayb
with contempt were
themselves the losers."



This story teaches us to be fair in dealing with others,
especially in weights and measures and never to deceive
people or do them out of their property or possessions.
It teaches us always to follow the rules of honesty,
trustworthiness and truthfulness.

Find Out More

To know more about the message and meaning of
Allah's words, look up the following parts of the Quran
which tells the story of the people of Madyan:

Surah al-Araf 7:85-93

Surah Hud 11:84-95

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The Prophet Shuayb and the Earthquake is a beautifully illustrated and creatively written story about the people of Madyan. It will capture the interest of children both at home and in the classroom.